

# CERTIFICATION

## **WAC 246-976-141 To apply for certification.**

(1) Department responsibilities. The department will publish procedures for initial certification which include:

- (a) Examinations. An applicant may have up to three attempts within six months after course completion to successfully complete the examinations;
- (b) The process for administration of examinations; and
- (c) Administrative requirements and the necessary forms.

(2) Applicant responsibilities. To apply for initial certification, submit to the department:

- (a) An application for certification on forms provided by the department;
- (b) Proof of identity: An official photo identification (which may be state, federal or military identification, drivers' license, or passport);
- (c) Proof of age;
- (d) Proof of completion of an approved course or courses for the level of certification sought;
- (e) Proof of completion of approved infectious disease training to meet the requirements of chapter 70.24 RCW;
- (f) Proof of successful completion of an approved examination within eighteen months prior to application;
- (g) Proof of active membership, paid or volunteer, in one of the following EMS/TC organizations:
  - (i) Licensed provider of aid or ambulance services;
  - (ii) Law enforcement agency; or
  - (iii) Other affiliated EMS/TC service;
- (h) The MPD's recommendation for certification;
- (i) For EMTs, proof of high school graduation, GED, or equivalent;
- (j) Other information required by this chapter.

(3) Certification is effective on the date the department issues the certificate, and will be valid for three years except as extended by the department for the efficient processing of license renewals. The expiration date will be indicated on the certification card.

(4) Certification of intermediate level technicians and paramedics is valid only:

- (a) In the county or counties where recommended by the MPD and approved by the department;

- (b) In other counties where formal EMS/TC medical control agreements are in place; or
- (c) In other counties when accompanying a patient in transit from a county meeting the criteria in (a) or (b) of this subsection.

With approval of the MPD, a certified intermediate level technician or paramedic may function as an EMT in counties other than those described in (a) through (c) of this subsection.

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